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WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

STRIKE 3 HOLDINGS, LLC, a Delaware corporation,

Plaintiff,

JOHN DOE subscriber assigned IP address 73.225.38.130,

Defendant.

Case No.: 2:17-cv-01731-TSZ

[PROPOSED] ESI PROTOCOL FOR PRODUCTION OF DEFENDANT'S COMPUTER HARD DRIVES

- 1. Plaintiff, Strike 3 Holdings, LLC ("Plaintiff"), has requested that Defendant produce for inspection all of Defendant's computer device hard drives¹ in his possession, custody, or control which were at his residence during the time of infringement. Defendant will produce forensically sound images of the following hard drives ("Hard Drives") to Plaintiff for inspection subject to the entry of this stipulated protective order.
 - a. Seagate Model Number ST3750528AS; serial number 9VP05TWX; and

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¹ For the avoidance of doubt, "Hard Drives" means any computer device, including any computer laptop or desktop, mobile phone, external hard drive, portable hard drive, server, NAS (Network-Attached Storage), USB (thumb) drive, internal hard drives which may have been removed from their original device, solid state hard drives, contents of a cloud based storage account, or any other electronic device capable of connecting to the internet, downloading media files, or storing electronic data, used by, or within Defendant's possession, custody or control at his Residence during the period of infringement.

- b. Asus Model Number CG5270-BP003; Serial Number PF1G95B15000014 or 95PDAG039530.
- 2. In conducting an examination of Defendant's Hard Drives, Plaintiff may only search for evidence of: (1) Plaintiff's copyrighted Works identified on Plaintiff's Amended Complaint in this case; (2) BitTorrent and Peer-to-Peer file sharing; and (3) sophisticated wiping efforts, spoliation, and the suppression of evidence. The foregoing parameters are explained in detail in Paragraph 7 of this Protective Order.
- 3. Plaintiff, Defendant, and their respective counsel are automatically bound by this Protective Order. Prior to receiving any of Defendant's Hard Drives, or forensically-sound images of same, each qualified person defined in sections (a) (d) below shall be provided with a copy of this Order and shall execute and be bound by this Order by signing the agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A, an original of which shall be maintained by Plaintiff's counsel. As soon as signed, the signed copy will be provided to Defendant's counsel. "Qualified persons" are defined as:
 - a. experts or consultants (together with their clerical staff) retained by such counsel to assist in the prosecution, defense, or settlement of this action;
 - b. employees of attorney services or professional copy services retained by a counsel of one of the parties;
 - c. court reporter(s) employed in this action; and
 - d. any other person as to whom the parties in writing agree.
- 4. Plaintiff will engage the services of a local computer professional ("Computer Professional") to create a forensically sound images of Defendant's Hard Drives. Plaintiff will be solely responsible for the cost and fee associated with retention of this Computer Professional.
- The Computer Professional will produce a forensically sound image of each
 Hard Drive using industry-standard software and procedures. After completion of the imaging,

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the Computer Professional will send the Defendant's hard drive images to Plaintiff's computer forensic expert.

- 6. Prior to receiving any of Defendant's Hard Drives, Plaintiff's computer forensic expert shall be provided with a copy of this Order and shall execute and be bound by this Order by signing the agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 7. Plaintiff's forensic expert is permitted to search the imaged hard drives for evidence of: (1) Plaintiff's Copyrighted Works identified on Plaintiff's Amended Complaint in this case; (2) BitTorrent clients and Peer-to-Peer file sharing software; and (3) wiping efforts, spoliation, and the suppression of evidence. Plaintiff's forensic expert is only permitted to search Defendant's imaged Hard Drives for these three categories, as specified in paragraphs (a) (c) below.
 - a. Plaintiff's Works: Plaintiff's computer forensic expert is permitted to search for:
 (1) the title, and any variation thereof, of Plaintiff's Works identified on
 Plaintiff's Amended Complaint in this case; (2) the term "Tushy;" (3) the term "Blacked;" (4) the term "Vixen;" and (3) the term "Blacked Raw."
 - b. BitTorrent or Peer-to-Peer File Sharing Use: Plaintiff's forensic expert is permitted to search for: (1) the term "torrent"; and (2) the presence or prior existence of a BitTorrent Client or Peer-to-Peer file sharing software (i.e., torrent clients, torrent trackers, torrent bookmarks, torrent files, torrent file fragments, torrent related web history, and evidence of other peer-to-peer software).
 - c. Spoliation and Suppression of Evidence: Plaintiff's forensic expert is permitted to search for evidence of: (1) wiping efforts such as the reformatting or wiping of a Hard Drive; (2) deletions; (3) significant alterations; and (4) the suppression of evidence. This involves the examination of or search for: (1) information about how and when the image was created; (2) the timeline of Hard Drive usage; (3) the operating system installation information; (4) devices that have been plugged

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into the Hard Drive; (5) anti-computer forensic software (software specifically designed to wipe or delete user activity on a Hard Drive) including by not limited to Evidence Eliminator, BC Wipe, Window Washer, and other wiping software programs installed on the Hard Drive; and (6) the contents within the unallocated space and recycling bin of the Hard Drive; and modifications on the Hard Drive registry.

- 8. If the above listed parameters yield relevant results, Plaintiff's forensic expert will reproduce the information or data to Plaintiff.
- 9. If Plaintiff's forensic expert's examination reveals relevant information matching the above search criteria, provided the information is not information listed in paragraphs 10 or 11 of this Protective Order, he shall be allowed to disclose the relevant information, the stored location of the information, and/or the allocation format of the data to Plaintiff. Plaintiff will then provide its expert report consistent with Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2) by this Court's deadline. Determination as to the form, foundation, and admissibility of the location and/or allocation format of the information will be made by the Court prior to trial.
- 10. Plaintiff's forensic expert shall not disclose to Plaintiff's counsel any relevant information which includes Defendant's IRS filings, banking information, and personal information regarding Defendant's family members. If Plaintiff's forensic expert discovers relevant information which include this sensitive information therein, Plaintiff's forensic expert will, without disclosing the contents, notify both Plaintiff's counsel and defense counsel of this discovery. Defendant will determine whether Defendant wishes to prevent disclosure of any such confidential information. Plaintiff reserves the right to move the Court for an *in camera*.
- 11. Plaintiff's forensic expert shall not disclose to Plaintiff's counsel any relevant privileged information. If Plaintiff's forensic expert discovers relevant privileged information, Plaintiff's forensic expert will, without disclosing the contents, notify both Plaintiff's counsel and defense counsel of this discovery. Defendant will determine whether Defendant wishes to

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EXHIBIT A TO PROTECTIVE ORDER FOR PRODUCTION

OF DEFENDANT'S COMPUTER HARD DRIVES

	OF DEFENDANT S COMPUTER HARD DRIVES
3	I,, located at,
4	have read the foregoing Stipulated Protective Order and agree to be bound by the terms thereof.
5	and I further stipulate and agree that the United States District Court for the Western District of
6	Washington shall have personal jurisdiction over me for purposes of enforcing the terms of the
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U.S. DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

STRIKE 3 HOLDINGS, LLC, a Delaware corporation,

Plaintiff,

VS.

JOHN DOE, subscriber assigned IP address 73.225.38.130,

Defendant.

JOHN DOE subscriber assigned IP address 73.225.38.130,

Counterclaimant,

VS.

STRIKE 3 HOLDINGS, LLC,

Counterdefendant.

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DEFENDANT'S RESPONSES AND OBJECTIONS TO PLAINTIFF'S FIRST REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 1:

A forensically sound copy (*i.e.*, a clone) of the hard drive for each of the COMPUTER DEVICES USED in YOUR house, apartment or dwelling from August 12, 2016 to present day.

OBJECTION:

Defendant objects to this request as unduly burdensome and improper, to the extent Plaintiff asks Defendant to "clone" any computer devices. Defendant is not required to "clone"

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or do anything to the computers in his possession and control. Defendant further objects that this request seeks documents and ESI protected by the attorney-client privilege, including communications to and from counsel.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving any objections, Defendant responds: Subject to entry of an agreement to protect private and sensitive information in a form identical or substantially similar to the model ESI protocol in this district, Defendant will produce computing devices for inspection.

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 2:

All DOCUMENTS that constitute, mention, or otherwise RELATE to the Internet browser activity on each of YOUR COMPUTER DEVICES from August 12, 2016 to present day.

OBJECTION:

Defendant objects to this request as irrelevant, overbroad and intrusive, to the extent that it seeks information regarding browser activities unrelated to this litigation. Defendant further objects that this request seeks information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege. Moreover, the request is overly broad as to time in that it relates to dates before the first date of infringement. Finally, the request is unduly burdensome as it requests the inspection of over 70 devices.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving any objections, Defendant responds: Subject to entry of an agreement to protect private and sensitive information in a form identical or substantially similar to the model ESI protocol in this district, Defendant will produce computing devices for inspection.

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REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 3:

All DOCUMENTS that constitute, mention, or otherwise RELATE to the purchase of a COMPUTER DEVICE USED in YOUR house, apartment, or dwelling from August 12, 2016 to present day.

OBJECTION:

Defendant objects to this request as overly broad as to time in that it relates to dates before the first date of infringement. Defendant further objects that this request is unduly burdensome as it requests the inspection of over 70 devices, many of which were purchased used at such places as ebay and goodwill, and for which Defendant has not retained records.

RESPONSE:

Subject to and without waiving these objections, Defendant will produce relevant documents in his possession, custody, or control.

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 4:

All DOCUMENTS that constitute, mention, or otherwise RELATE to the purchase of any electronic equipment used to operate a COMPUTER DEVICE in YOUR house, apartment, or dwelling from August 12, 2016 to present day.

OBJECTION:

See Objection to Request for Production No. 3.

RESPONSE:

See Response to Request for Production No. 3.

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 5:

All DOCUMENTS that constitute, mention, or otherwise RELATE to the setup, use, and control of any modem and wireless router which was USED in YOUR house, apartment, or dwelling during the PERIOD OF RECORDED INFRINGEMENT.

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RESPONSE:

Defendant will produce documents in his possession, custody, or control.

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 6:

All DOCUMENTS that constitute, mention, or otherwise RELATE to records of any computer programs downloaded, uploaded, or installed on any COMPUTER DEVICE USED in YOUR house, apartment or dwelling from August 12, 2016 to present day.

OBJECTION:

See Objection to Request for Production No. 2

RESPONSE:

See Response to Request for Production No. 2.

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 7:

All DOCUMENTS and COMMUNICATIONS between YOU and YOUR ISP that constitute, mention, or otherwise RELATE to contracts, agreements, usage statements, bills, payments, Digital Millennium Copyright Act notices, and any notice regarding copyright infringement.

OBJECTION:

Defendant objects to this request as irrelevant and overbroad, to the extent it seeks information that would intrude on activities unrelated to this litigation. Defendant further objects that the time period is overly broad in that it relates to dates before the first date of infringement.

RESPONSE:

Subject to and without waiving any objections, Defendant will produce documents in his possession, custody, and control.

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REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 8:

All DOCUMENTS, including credit card statements, receipts, or other statements that RELATE to the purchase and installation of anti-virus software between August 12, 2016 to present day for use on a COMPUTER DEVICE in YOUR house, apartment or dwelling.

OBJECTION:

Defendant objects to this request as irrelevant and overbroad, to the extent it seeks information that would intrude on activities unrelated to this litigation. Defendant further objects that the time period is overly broad in that it relates to dates before the first date of infringement. Further, the purchase of anti-virus software is irrelevant to a claim of infringement.

RESPONSE:

Subject to and without waiving any objections, Defendant will produce documents in his possession, custody, or control.

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 9:

All FILES, DOCUMENTS, and COMMUNICATIONS transmitted by YOU through PEER-TO-PEER SOFTWARE, which includes the BITORRENT network, that constitutes, mentions, or otherwise RELATES to PLAINTIFF'S copyrighted WORKS or portions of those WORKS.

OBJECTION:

Defendant objects to this request as irrelevant, overbroad and intrusive, to the extent that it seeks information unrelated to this litigation. Defendant further objects that the request is overly broad as to time in that it relates to dates before the first date of infringement. Further, the request is unduly burdensome as requires keeping a log of all files transferred whether or not they are related to copyrighted works. Further the request requests irrelevant documents untethered to this litigation.

DEFENDANT'S RESPONSES AND OBJECTIONS TO PLAINTIFF'S FIRST REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION - 5 RESPONSE:

Without waiving any objections, Defendant responds: Subject to entry of an agreement to protect private and sensitive information in a form identical or substantially similar to the model ESI protocol in this district, Defendant will produce computing devices for inspection.

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REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 10:

All DOCUMENTS that RELATE to the purchase and/or installation of any PEER-TO-PEER SOFTWARE on any COMPUTER DEVICE USED in YOUR house, apartment, or dwelling from August 12, 2016 to present day.

it seeks information regarding computer activities unrelated to this litigation. Defendant further

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Defendant objects to this request as irrelevant, overbroad and intrusive, to the extent that

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REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 11:

A complete copy of all of the FILES contained within any CLOUD BASED STORAGE SYSTEM to which YOU or anyone in YOUR house, apartment or dwelling, have used between the first date of recorded infringement (*i.e.*, from August 12, 2016) through present day, including but not limited to all DOCUMENTS that RELATE to any such CLOUD BASED STORAGE SYSTEM, including the contract, and all statements of account and usage.

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OBJECTION:

Defendant objects to this request as irrelevant, overbroad and intrusive, to the extent that it seeks information regarding computer activities unrelated to this litigation. Defendant further

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1 objects that the request is overly broad as to time in that it relates to dates before the first date of 2 infringement. 3 **RESPONSE:** Subject to and without waiving any objections: Defendant has no documents to produce. 4 5 **REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 12:** 6 7 A complete copy of any FILES stored on any video game consoles which were used in 8 YOUR house, apartment or dwelling from August 12, 2016 to present day. 9 **OBJECTION:** 10 See Objection to Request for Production No. 1. **RESPONSE:** 11 12 See Response to Request for Production No. 1. 13 14 **REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 13:** 15 Any DOCUMENTS that constitute, mention, or otherwise RELATE to any legal notice of tenants or residents authorized to live at YOUR house, apartment, or dwelling at any time 16 during the PERIOD OF RECORDED INFRINGEMENT, including but not limited to any 17 existing lease, rental agreements, and/or sublet agreements. 18 19 **OBJECTION:** 20 Defendant objects to the term "legal notice" as vague and ambiguous. Further, the 21 request is irrelevant to the Plaintiff's prior cause of action or defenses to Defendant's 22 counterclaims. 23 **RESPONSE:** 24 Subject to and without waiving these objections, Defendant will produce any and all 25 agreements in his possession, custody, or control. 26

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 14:

All COMMUNICATIONS between YOU and a third party that mentions or RELATES to PLAINTIFF or any of PLAINTIFF'S Copyrighted Works, including but not limited to emails, instant messages, social network postings, chat room comments, and any and all other forms of electronic communication.

OBJECTION:

Defendant objects to this request as overly broad in that "RELATES" to "PLAINTIFF'S Copyrighted Works" could be construed to include to encompass the entire pornography industry. Defendant further objects to this request to the extent that it seeks communications that are protected by the attorney-client privilege.

RESPONSE:

Subject to these objections, and to the entry of an agreement to protect private and sensitive information in a form identical or substantially similar to the model ESI protocol in this district, Defendant will produce any and all agreements in his possession, custody, or control.

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 15:

Any and all DOCUMENTS and COMMUNICATIONS which indicate that YOU were not at the residence assigned to subscriber IP address 73.225.38.130 or within the CONTROL of IP address 73.225.38.130 during the PERIOD OF RECORDED INFRINGEMENT.

OBJECTION:

Defendant objects to this request as overbroad and harassing, as it seeks to intrude on personal activities unrelated to this litigation, and encompasses deeply private documents, including but not limited to medical records. Defendant further objects that this request is for information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege. Defendant further objects that this request is irrelevant as Plaintiff has no pending infringement claims against Defendant.

RESPONSE: 1 2 Subject to and without waiving any objections: Defendant has no such documents 3 currently in his possession, custody, or control. 4 5 **REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 16:** 6 7 Any and all DOCUMENTS and COMMUNICATIONS that support, evidence, or 8 otherwise RELATE to YOUR CONTENTION that YOU are not the individual who infringed 9 PLAINTIFF'S copyrighted WORKS as alleged in PLAINTIFF'S initial Complaint. **OBJECTION:** 10 11 Defendant objects to this request, which seeks documents in order to prove a negative, 12 and regarding issues for which Defendant does not bear the burden of proof. 13 **RESPONSE:** 14 See Response to Request for Production No. 2. 15 16 **REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 17:** Any and all DOCUMENTS and COMMUNICATIONS that indicate or demonstrate that 17 18 another individual infringed PLAINTIFF'S copyrighted WORKS as alleged in PLAINTIFF'S initial Complaint. 19 20 **OBJECTION:** See Objection to Request for Production No. 16. 21 22 **RESPONSE:** 23 See Response to Request for Production No. 16. 24 25 26

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REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 18:

Any and all DOCUMENTS and COMMUNICATIONS from YOUR Internet Service Provider, Comcast Cable Communications, LLC, which notified YOU of PLAINTIFF'S initial Complaint against YOU.

OBJECTION:

Defendant objects to this request as irrelevant as Plaintiff has no pending infringement claims against Defendant. Defendant further objects that the information requested is equally available to Plaintiff through Comcast.

RESPONSE:

Subject to and without waiving these objections, Defendant will produce all non-privileged responsive documents in his possession, custody, or control.

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 19:

Any and all DOCUMENTS which evidence that PLAINTIFF has an ulterior motive in the use of any legal process in this case.

OBJECTION:

Defendant objects that substantial discovery remains to be conducted, and that this request seeks documents that are already in Plaintiff's possession, custody, or control, or otherwise more readily available to Plaintiff than to Defendant.

RESPONSE:

Subject to and without waiving any objections: *See* Dkt. Nos. 4, 4-1, 4-2, 4-3, 4-4; *see also* documents in Plaintiff's possession related to Plaintiff's attempt to depose Defendant's son.

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 20:

Any and all DOCUMENTS which evidence that the use of any legal process in this case by PLAINTIFF was not proper in the regular prosecution of such process.

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OBJECTION: 1 2 See Objection to Request for Production No. 19. 3 **RESPONSE:** See Response to Request for Production No. 19. 4 5 **REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 21:** 6 7 A copy of any current government issued photo identification for YOU. 8 **OBJECTION**: 9 Defendant objects to this request as irrelevant to any claims or defenses. 10 **RESPONSE:** Defendant declines to produce documents in response to this request. 11 12 13 **REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 22:** Any and all DOCUMENTS which evidence the "actual damages," (as listed in 14 paragraph 54 of YOUR First Amended Counterclaims, Dk. 32) YOU have suffered. 15 **OBJECTION**: 16 Defendant objects that discovery is ongoing and Defendant's damages are not complete. 17 18 **RESPONSE:** 19 Defendant has incurred substantial attorneys' fees and will continue to incur attorneys' 20 fees due to Plaintiff's actions. Defendant has also suffered from insomnia. 21 22 **REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 23:** 23 Any and all DOCUMENTS which evidence the "actual damages," (as listed in paragraph 57 of YOUR First Amended Counterclaim, Dk. 32) YOU have suffered. 24 25 **OBJECTION:** Defendant objects to this request, which seeks documents containing private, medical 26 information, and documents protected by the attorney-client privilege. DEFENDANT'S RESPONSES AND OBJECTIONS TO PLAINTIFF'S FIRST REQUESTS FOR

RESPONSE:

Subject to these objections, and to the entry of an agreement to protect private and sensitive information in a form identical or substantially similar to the model ESI protocol in this district, Defendant will produce redacted responsive non-privileged documents in his possession, custody, or control.

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 24:

Any and all DOCUMENTS which evidences that PLAINTIFF had "no intention of litigating" the instant case.

OBJECTION:

Defendant objects that substantial discovery remains to be conducted, and that this request seeks documents that are already in Plaintiff's possession, custody, or control, or otherwise more readily available to Plaintiff than to Defendant.

RESPONSE:

Subject to and without waiving any objections: *See* Dkt. No. 53, Plaintiff's Notice of Voluntary Dismissal without Prejudice.

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 25:

Any and all DOCUMENTS which evidences that PLAINTIFF failed to "disclose the actual parties in interest" in this case.

OBJECTION:

Defendant objects that substantial discovery remains to be conducted, and that this request seeks documents that are already in Plaintiff's possession, custody, or control, or otherwise more readily available to Plaintiff than to Defendant.

RESPONSE:

Subject to and without waiving any objections: Discovery is ongoing. Defendant will supplement this response if and when necessary.

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1 2 **REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 26:** Any and all DOCUMENTS which evidence the "actual damages," (as listed in 3 paragraph 66 of YOUR First Amended Counterclaim, Dk. 32) YOU have suffered. 4 5 **OBJECTION:** See Objection to Request for Production No. 23. 6 7 **RESPONSE:** 8 See Response to Request for Production No. 23. 9 10 **REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 27:** Any and all DOCUMENTS which evidence the "actual damages," (as listed in 11 paragraph 69 of YOUR First Amended Counterclaim, Dk. 32) YOU have suffered. 12 13 **OBJECTION:** See Objection to Request for Production No. 23. 14 15 **RESPONSE:** See Response to Request for Production No. 23. 16 17 18 **REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 28:** 19 Any and all "demand letters threatening exaggerated and unsupportable damages" (as 20 listed in paragraphs 70-72 of YOUR First Amended Counterclaim, Dk. 32) which PLAINTIFF sent to YOU. 21 22 **OBJECTION:** 23 Defendant objects that substantial discovery remains to be conducted, and that this request seeks documents that are already in Plaintiff's possession, custody, or control, or 24 25 otherwise more readily available to Plaintiff than to Defendant. 26

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Subject to and without waiving any objections: Defendant will produce any responsive non-privileged documents in this possession, custody, or control.

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REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 29:

Any and all documents evidencing that YOU posted comments regarding BitTorrent or torrents generally on any online board, website, or forum.

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9 Defendant objects that substantial discovery remains to be conducted, and that this request seeks documents that are already in Plaintiff's possession, custody, or control, or 10 otherwise more readily available to Plaintiff than to Defendant.

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RESPONSE:

Subject to and without waiving any objections: Defendant will produce any responsive non-privileged documents in this possession, custody, or control.

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As to Answers Only:

By: /s/ John Doe Defendant

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As to Objections Only:

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Respectfully submitted on March 18, 2019

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By: /s/ *J. Curtis Edmondson*

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CERTIFICATION OF ATTORNEY

I am one of the attorneys for Defendant in this matter. I hereby certify that I have read the foregoing Defendant's Answers and Objections to Plaintiff's First Set of Requests for Production, and believe that the same are in compliance with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(g).

DATED this 18th day of March, 2019.

By: /s/ *J. Curtis Edmondson*J. Curtis Edmondson, WSBA #43795 3699 NE John Olsen Avenue Hillsboro, Oregon 97124

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Attorney for Defendant

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE 1 I, J. Curtis Edmondson, hereby certify that on March 18, 2019, I electronically transmitted 2 the foregoing to the following: 3 Bryan J. Case, WSBA #41781 4 Email: bcase@foxrothschild.com FOX ROTHSCHILD LLP (SEATTLE) 5 1001 Fourth Avenue, suite 4500 6 Seattle, Washington 98154 Telephone: (206) 624-3600 7 Lincoln D. Bandlow, Admitted Pro Hac Vice 8 Email: lbandlow@foxrothschild.com FOX ROTHSCHILD LLP (LOS ANGELES) 9 10250 Constellation Blvd., Suite 900 10 Los Angeles, California 90067 Telephone: (310) 598-4150 11 Attorneys for Plaintiff Strike 3 Holdings LLC 12 13 DATED this 18th day of March, 2019. 14 15 By: /s/ J. Curtis Edmondson J. Curtis Edmondson, WSBA #43795 16 3699 NE John Olsen Avenue Hillsboro, Oregon 97124 17 Telephone: (503) 336-3749 Email: jcedmondson@edmolaw.com 18 Attorney for Defendant 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

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EXHIBIT "C"

	Exhibit "C" to Plaintiff's Motion to Compel Production of Defendant's Hard Drives		
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8	corporation,	NO. 2:17-cv-01731-TSZ	
9	Plaintiff,	[PROPOSED[DEFENDANT'S	
10	vs.	ESI PROTECTIVE ORDER ON COMPUTERS AND HARD DRIVES	
11	JOHN DOE, subscriber assigned IP		
12	address 73.225.38.130,		
13	Defendant.		
14	JOHN DOE subscriber assigned IP		
15	address 73.225.38.130,		
16	Counterclaimant,		
17	vs.		
18	STRIKE 3 HOLDINGS, LLC,		
19	Counterdefendant.		
20	Counterderendant.		
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23	The parties hereby stipulate to the following	ng provisions regarding the discovery of	
24	electronically stored information ("ESI") for the	Defendant in this matter:	
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A. General Principles

- 1. An attorney's zealous representation of a client is not compromised by conducting discovery in a cooperative manner. The failure of counsel or the parties to litigation to cooperate in facilitating and reasonably limiting discovery requests and responses raises litigation costs and contributes to the risk of sanctions.
- 2. The proportionality standard set forth in Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(b)(1) must be applied in each case when formulating a discovery plan. To further the application of the proportionality standard in discovery, requests for production of ESI and related responses should be reasonably targeted, clear, and as specific as possible.

B. ESI Disclosures

Within 30 days after the Rule 26(f) conference, or at a later time if agreed to by the parties, each party shall disclose:

- 1. <u>Custodians</u>. The five custodians most likely to have discoverable ESI in their possession, custody or control. The custodians shall be identified by name, title, connection to the instant litigation, and the type of the information under his/her control.
- 2. <u>Non-custodial Data Sources.</u> A list of non-custodial data sources (e.g. shared drives, servers, etc.), if any, likely to contain discoverable ESI.
- 3. <u>Third-Party Data Sources.</u> A list of third-party data sources, if any, likely to contain discoverable ESI (e.g. third-party email and/or mobile device providers, "cloud" storage, etc.) and, for each such source, the extent to which a party is (or is not) able to preserve information stored in the third-party data source.
- 4. <u>Inaccessible Data.</u> A list of data sources, if any, likely to contain discoverable ESI (by type, date, custodian, electronic system or other criteria sufficient to specifically identify the data source) that a party asserts is not reasonably accessible under Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(b)(2)(B). [Section (C)(3)(a)(i) below sets forth data sources and ESI

1 which are not required to be preserved by the parties. Those data sources and ESI do 2 not need to be included on this list.] 3 DEFENDANT'S DESIGNATION PURSUANT TO SECTION B. 4 Plaintiff made a document request for all computers and electronic media in possession 5 and control of Defendant. 6 1. Defendant John Doe is a retired cop who in his retirement purchased computers 7 and fixed them up with the idea of providing them to non-profits as a hobby. Defendant John 8 Doe has collected all electronic media and computers requested by the Plaintiff during the 9 period of infringement and has turned them over to counsel for inspection. The number of 10 computers and hard drives are approximately 100 and are in various states of operation. 11 Defendant John Doe is the sole custodian. Defendant counsel is in possession of the hard drives 12 and other media. 2. 13 Defendant does not believe there is any non-custodial data sources. 14 3. Third Party data sources – This may include email servers for two email 15 accounts. Defendant has searched those email accounts for requested documents. 16 4. Inaccessible Data – Some of the computers and hard drives may have failed or were purchased in a failed condition. 17 18 19 C. Preservation of ESI 20 The parties acknowledge that they have a common law obligation to take reasonable 21 and proportional steps to preserve discoverable information in the party's possession, custody 22 or control. With respect to preservation of ESI, Defendant has: 23 1. Gathered all computers and hard drives in possession during the period of infringement. A24noted, this is approximately 100 items. 25 2. Identified the majority of the computers by model and S/N, and the same with

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the hard drives.

1	3. These categories of Defendant's ESI need not be preserved:
2	a. Deleted, slack, fragmented, or other data only accessible by forensics.
3	b. Random access memory (RAM), temporary files, or other ephemeral
4	data that are difficult to preserve without disabling the operating system.
5	c. On-line access data such as temporary internet files, history, cache,
6	cookies, and the like.
7	d. Data in metadata fields that are frequently updated automatically, such as
8	last-opened dates (see also Section (E)(5)).
9	e. Back-up data that are substantially duplicative of data that are more
10	accessible elsewhere.
11	f. f. Server, system or network logs.
12	g. Data remaining from systems no longer in use that is unintelligible on
13	the systems in use.
14	h. The computers and hard drives located at Counsel's office in Hillsboro,
15	Oregon, stored in numerous plastic containers.
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17	DEFENDANT'S DESIGNATION PURSUANT TO SECTION C
18	4. Defendant has collected all requested computers and media and has stored them
19	at counsel's office.
20	5. Defendant will keep the computers and media in native format as the cost for a
21	complete forensic image of each drive and a string search of each drive is disproportionately
22	large (est \$ 50,000.00).
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25	D. Privilege
26	1. With respect to privileged or work-product information generated after the filing of the
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complaint, parties are not required to include any such information in privilege logs.

2. Subject to STEP "E", Defendant will identify those computers that may have been used to communicate with this attorneys. Steps will be taken to identify those communications that are privileged.

E. ESI Discovery Procedures

Plaintiff contends that their IPP software has recorded "File Hashes" that uniquely identiffy an infringed movie that are approximately 20-40 minutes in length.

Plaintiff has provided, in response to Defendant's discovery requests, data that their German monitoring system that is used to purportedly identify infringers. This data provided by the Plaintiff's monitoring software is:

Work	Hash	Site
1	1BC8C1ADCAA75C3EC9408C8CCBF5147863205E6C	Tushy
2	0326E8923C58852725F5A7857833A4CD3E715289	Tushy
3	039F4779148D3E374D990283A83AC46A0219DAE9	Vixen
4	0CAB7415EAE003A2C3835DE5FC716759A49040B9	Tushy
5	OCDEB18021838E8E2A694A7D16D9A45366CFABB6	Blacked
6	1278F4C4BF0B45678418F6CC8F8844DE4AB68C83	Tushy
7	1487A26EAAAD70318258AB9F506506A8F293533A	Blacked
8	18A6F7D0E24D4FA3CC1589DE496D1AD9433CF09B	Blacked
9	1A032CB38BB2AF87DAF2B239A1A17B6C713EBC26	Blacked
10	1C2C06D480942F4FE7FDCED4759E93805E02B54B	Tushy
11	1D1B18BB0C921D6E1A6D148E4542257B42A2469F	Tushy
12	1D63168E762F9CB41AE4DBD6646599AD0EFF3911	Blacked
13	1D7E521CD7368013A7F1B28494A2AC43D8F99F0E	Vixen
14	1D7E721AC3B8D955BBCAD8D62F57AF030BD1F315	Vixen
15	22883186DAB5FCA92C8513AD939652BCB867FD5C	Tushy
16	22C377CC65B1695E6470BFAF967C4C825391EF90	Blacked
17	24D6E127081B069994E81CA544B8FF3E3A0A33D3	Tushy
18	258961E123E520633A96CDF11E8E6F60E233C816	Vixen
19	289FE7D65DFCFACB416832D12862105A2762841A	Blacked

31577E16E1B68BF13F30BE538E1BAF66E224726A

Tushy

1	21	322F6ABAB019761A6FF3C1211AF75B28137F013F	Vixen
1	22	34452073A3328CE2AF5FC73A5A8DDD4141E85B4A	Vixen
2	23	374A3B65D604113BB3880FDACE83FD1EFED3CA7C	Tushy
2	24	3945FEF635D609C3FB77DD4762FC2570E7E12D7C	Blacked
3	25	3F3D4931127C380DD0AA05C298E26438267560BB	Vixen
4	26	408577469D1675504E89F205C619738007D08DD9	Blacked
_	27	4125860EC76C1E0880F652DA94EB84D375A64436	Tushy
5	28	464AB452DA8258FA23BA74830F0D57EE7CA518C5	Tushy
6	29	48F5E3FE474EA76DE23D7D0A8F27ADA15F5C98D7	Blacked
	30	4B86BC16D0E5A0983C578B61ED87BC62C55B116A	Vixen
7	31	4F0D3D0FD3F88791F4933080453A052BE6924F22	Tushy
8	32	4FAE423CFA8C54409A4658429D7CB2B3E0F2E8B1	Vixen
J	33	4FF62836FC3C509617EE5DE7658EAABE045C0BA1	Tushy
9	34	5003D85013A07470D85A3250EF4B3393B6E2CB04	Tushy
10	35	5176733783D1199D43060681D7AE2D4E3B5C9AF9	Blacked
10	36	53FF1B4BD8FB69630FE0A67611FE747F902F6874	Vixen
11	37	5A06B4EA4DB48984499F2E9EA7213220E835089D	Blacked
12	38	5AA7FC6E46AEF9EC1227A939EADB3351AD495F12	Vixen
12	39	5C208E2ABF6083135CA52776A02D87442F215D60	Tushy
13	40	5F25F5C8970A1123950D8543F0C954308ECC9D12	Tushy
1.4	41	6503CB2EAECE7FA2F1D71B98E41D6D845BF7B794	Vixen
14	42	6960957E412263AA671D4F7A15737527D71A7C08	Tushy
15	43	69AC2D8751ABF0FED5C443A1CE77A7C7529B7AC9	Vixen
1.0	44	6A53ECB874B094837053EB7B7142560F0A85A9C2	Vixen
16	45	6B9175E9708A1BE765BBDC6582A68A12E44A33E3	Vixen
17	46	72F519FE9EED3C466979E55CFEBF253309A8106C	Vixen
1.0	47	74C66B184CB3F25F69326EF0C5529CDB680A8C47	Vixen
18	48	792198F0F41E1FFA44A67E62F451EC11B9B692EF	Vixen
19	49	7E4981D21DDD4B8D9EB5905B1B8A95461915A160	Blacked
	50	82EC6E9F2A9287FD59C2B571FDC0CDED7EDDBB81	Blacked
20	51	8519F3BB18D38EB8472CD07987B1BC2224E7EC22	Vixen
21	52	88D30B83D9E749F514380A5F2E9C3E876CF55431	Tushy
	53	8D906EA439B8BF052A8D68240F71C6D9ACE1E17A	Vixen
22	54	8F55C47AC0C8FED6F30E2C094965B3CF4749FA41	Vixen
23	55	921AED6337A58B159CFAF9DADDFE2D91CDFF8AB3	Tushy
	56	94E00EDACF46F8763B4B28A29BEB83473AC2BA8E	Blacked
24	57	9B5E94F7A0C627798E8020DFAA9A28609D1AB82A	Tushy
25	58	9C80B087C925D30BA01F72FC0EAABD8EAADF588A	Blacked
۷٥	59	9D5513F0563852D9FB73EDC7D6318A6BB04334D9	Tushy
26	60	9E77DF7FCCB30D04DC6500C39CC3EF0AA2B48257	Blacked
27	61	ABC004062B9F9CF37E9A3A57F4BEA161154EECAE	Vixen

1	62	ABDFB02F5D20E29C32ABCE90A8478787DDA3C11D	Tushy
1	63	AE6A89DD0FB4978EAC561028F9FB06AA0A8D7E6A	Tushy
2	64	AFA4C44023577E2A90E1CFA8DB69A6F5D035B1D2	Blacked
3	65	B2EC2056C7699F25A118F23E36BB74FC7D3B7131	Vixen
	66	B80F62F292E7B77184DC0BCF80ECE23CF7B23D15	Tushy
4	67	BA56E328AE2DBA8A20B327451656293E37FDAE35	Blacked
_	68	C496C2BFE4C6D994F43DC665F2CBEE16FE85777A	Tushy
5	69	C59734C1DC4D87F563ABE2D6E371C12FD12FC7D9	Blacked
6	70	C6965A70345AC1C86DD34737BF381734CA301655	Vixen
_	71	D2B9C8834073E3BF4B55F7BF45C7EA7BE5903569	Blacked
7	72	DB6040CB19308F376554AC18F5C883139311322D	Blacked
8	73	DCE0631B0833B899B8A4C577203A87AD00BD2B8B	Blacked
	74	DCE1E033042DA8E7CFC7CEC42B7D21201BEDFD57	Tushy
9	75	E132114F31A37161B83D12BCE6320B65DE025C9B	Vixen
10	76	E1C14843DC58F3CB2CCB7383B242E4EE8D32363B	Tushy
	77	E272AF63D15A4277BF857E93B225717C76F3DA9D	Tushy
11	78	E4BB4B0185636612E25A2955F474B4494789F63C	Blacked
12	79	E69BB37CE99BE570CC9EB659F45DDEF6E740E3BE	Blacked
12	80	E8910563DE2084C48C6A8C5801457339745A09FA	Vixen
13	81	EC31FAD9EF2492EACCD767B4A6E207BBF2765F0E	Blacked
14	82	F1132ADEB75DD2EA99B249DD70902C74E9DA7884	Tushy
14	83	F28E401CBB99CFB32E0808B7662BC50A9C5F64AD	Blacked
15	84	F8A92532C263D3E3497FF27A3FE569FF7BF15E37	Blacked
1.6	85	F8FEB2EE6C17B37610C5B2AE85F0266CB0C5C5BD	Blacked
16	86	FF7A5EE06C927438A3CAABC69D774D9CEACA8B9F	Tushy
17	87	FFD7D4C0A301487B3A11CBF1B3FC16410D42AEA0	Vixen

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PCAP – Packet Capture Data (raw data files from the film). Within each movie is at least 16 KB of raw movie data stored in a PCAP. Each raw movie data file has an associated ".torrent" file that is unique to each hash.

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i) .torrent files – A relatively small file that linked to a "torrent site".

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ii) Movie Name – The title of the movie as recorded at the Copyright Office

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iii) Infringed File Name. – The file name

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iv) Actual Movie Title

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v) The terms "Backed", "Tushy", "Vixen"

1. <u>On-site inspection of electronic media.</u>

Computers will be first inspected by the Defendant's technician according to the PHASE 1 review below. To minimize cost, inspection will be done by a computer technician.

2. Search methodology.

The computers and other media will be searched according to Defendant's PHASE I and PHASE II procedures below.

3. Format.

The format produced will be a native file format that will probably then be reproduced in a PDF format in readable form. Evidence will be kept in native and

- 4. <u>De-duplication.</u> The parties may de-duplicate their ESI production across custodial and non-custodial data sources after disclosure to the requesting party.
- 5. <u>Metadata fields.</u> If the requesting party seeks metadata, the parties agree that only the following metadata fields need be produced: document type; custodian and duplicate custodians; author/from; recipient/to, cc and bcc; title/subject; file name and size; original file path; date and time created, sent, modified and/or received; and hash value.

DEFENDANT'S PHASE 1 REVIEW – COMPUTER AND MEDA CULLING

6. For computers that have a hard drive, the computers will be "booted" and the Defendant's technician will use an accepted forensic tool, such as X-RAYS "WinHex" to inspect the drives. (Cost approx. \$ 500.00) A computer technician (est cost \$ 40.00 per hour) will do a pattern match on each of the five (5) search strings provided by the Plaintiff for the computer hard drive(s.) to Defendant's technician. The date and time of the analysis will be recorded. If a

1 match is found, then Defendant technician will identify the match and isolate that computer for 2 PHASE 2 REVIEW. 3 7. If there is an external hard drive or other media, then the hard drive will be 4 installed so that it can be read by the forensic tool. 5 8. To limit burden and costs, this PHASE 1 REVIEW will be performed by 6 someone with the skill of a computer technician hired by the Defendant. 7 9. It is estimated that PHASE I will take 40 hours (approx. 20-30 minutes per 8 computer). 9 10. If a computer is inoperable or a hard drive does not work, then this will be 10 noted. 11 12 <u>DEFENDANT'S PHASE 2 REVIEW – LIKELY COMPUTER SOURCES</u> 13 11. The isolated drives identified in the PHASE 1 REVIEW will be available for a 14 Plaintiff's computer expert who will do a further review according to the following protocol at 15 Defendant's counsel's office in Hillsboro, Oregon or in Seattle, Washington. The further review 16 will allow the expert to search for an additional ten (10) "Search Strings" that are from the 17 following data sources: 18 Hash Hex Identifier Listed Above; 19 16 KB Raw Data Block from a PCAP; b. 20 Infringed Movie Title; and/or 21 Actual Movie Title. d. 22 Identification of the particular torrent client identified by Plaintiff's IPP e. 23 monitoring software. 24 25 26 27 [PROPOSED] DEFENDANT'S ESI PROTECTIVE

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2	F. Discovery Disputes
3	In the event there are discovery disputes, counsel will meet informally in good faith
4	basis to try and stipulate to issues. Absent resolution, the parties will ask for an informal
5	conference with a discovery magistrate to resolve any issues.
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7	DATED:
3	Plaintiff's Counsel Defendant's Counsel
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2	ORDER
3	Based on the foregoing, IT IS SO ORDERED.
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7	The Honorable
3	UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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EXHIBIT "D"

1 THE HONORABLE THOMAS S. ZILLY 2 3 4 5 6 7 U.S. DISTRICT COURT 8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 9 STRIKE 3 HOLDINGS, LLC, a Delaware 10 corporation, NO. 2:17-cv-01731-TSZ 11 Plaintiff, **DEFENDANT'S BATES INDEX** 12 AND SERVICE OF DOCUMENTS VS. 13 JOHN DOE, subscriber assigned IP address 14 73.225.38.130, 15 Defendant. 16 JOHN DOE subscriber assigned IP 17 address 73.225.38.130, 18 Counterclaimant, 19 vs. 20 STRIKE 3 HOLDINGS, LLC, 21 Counterdefendant. 22 23 24 Defendant hereby serves the following BATES index in response to Plaintiff's request for 25 production of documents. This index is a provided as a reference and is not substantive part of 26 the production response. Bates 10001-10199 are computer equipment, devices, etc. that may be inspected and copied at counsel's office subject to the objections and protective order.

Originals documents served on a USB (Bates 10200-10301) drive via mail. PDF Document Bates 10270-10282, 10301 is designated Attorney Eyes Only.

Several documents are graphic in nature.

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4	BATES	Description	Brand/Model	Model		S/N	
5	10001	Computer	Optiplex	GX270		HZHKF1	
	10002	Computer	Optiplex	GX270		BFJ5441	
6	10003	Computer	Dell	DCNE		D1L0PD1	
_	10004	Computer	Studio	XPS 8000		3MJNHK1	
7	10005	Computer	HP Envy	810 PC series		MXX4320SDM	
8	10006	Computer	HP Pavilion Elite	(HPE-240f)		4CE0221KSF	
	10007	Computer	OPTIPLEX 790		790	4TZWXV1	
9	10008	Computer	OPTIPLEX 745		745	HZRQPC1	
10	10009	Computer	OPTIPLEX		745	4F1YZC1	
	10010	Computer	OPTIPLEX 9020		9020	GMWFX12	
11	10011	Computer	OPTIPLEX 9010		9010	20N39W1	
12	10012	Computer	GATEWAY	831-GM		GA5561007728	
12	10013	Computer	OPTIPLEX		960	JNLXTL1	
13	10014	Computer	HP P6000	P6000		CNX92402sc	
	10015	Computer	Custom Built PC			none	
14	10016	Computer	Gateway	DX4850-27E		PTGBL020010480!028630	C
15	10017	Computer	Aspire	M5630		PSSA50X045744008Cf2	
	10018	Computer	HP	ELITE 8300		MXL2470D56	
16	10019	Computer	HP	DX 2250		MXL73608d1	
17	10020	Computer	Custom Built PC			none	
1/	10021	Computer	Dell	Dimension E31		CKHBW91	
18	10022	Computer	Hard Drives NW			122545	
10	10023	Computer	Shuttle	S113G		SG31G2SO-S00-13	
19	10024	Computer	Dell	Inspiron 570		90G2SL1	
20	10025	Computer	Lenovo	A1U		M5RGK73	
	10026	Computer	Dell	Inspiron DCMF		4GM2HH1	
21	10027	Computer	Dell	T5500		32SB3L1	
22	10028	Computer	Dell	Inspiron 660		DKDBNy1	
	10029	Computer	ASUS	CG Series		PRF 105090	
23	10030	Laptop	Dell	PP07S		44HS981	
24	10031	Laptop	Dell	PP18L		0T17570	
24	10032	Laptop	Dell	Latitude E6520		6XSBR1	
25	10033	Laptop	Dell	Latitude E6520		9M2C6R1	
	10034	Laptop	Dell	Latitude PP04X		669NJF1	
26	10035	Laptop	Dell	Latitude E6520		5H2C6R1	
	10036	Laptop	Dell	Latitude E6520		1H2C6R1	
	10037	Laptop	Dell	Latitude E6420		7CZZ6R1	
	10038	Laptop	Dell	PP31L		8039	
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1	10039	Laptop	Dell	PP29L	7146	ı
1	10040	Laptop	Dell	P02EE002	GKWWQM1	ı
2	10041	Laptop	Dell	P07E	9LCYKL1	ı
2	10042	Laptop	Dell	P02E	9JR0RK1	ı
3	10043	Laptop	Sony	PCG-8C3L	283626303717017	ı
4	10044	Laptop	ASUS G72G	G27GX	9AN0AS86977944A	ı
	10045	Laptop	Lenovo 4151	R39Y39C25615	EB16835152	ı
5	10046	Laptop	Acer E5-511	E5-511	NXMPKAA0054341044234	.00
6	10047	Laptop	Fujitsu Lifebook	N6410	R6204104	ı
	10048	Laptop	Gateway	MS2370	NXY2ZAA01941208009660)0
7	10049	Laptop	Satelite	C655-S5212	5B426377Q	ı
8	10050	Console	XBOX	Xbox 360 Conole	913756473305	ı
8	10051	Laptop	Gateway	NAV50	LUWH20D0060035342C16	601
9	10052	Router	VIZIO	XWR100	WGKOIEAL4302262	ı
10	10053	Router	Linksys	RT31P2-VD	CH500E3H9553	ı
10	10054	Hard Drive	WD	WD600	WMA9S1536850	ı
11	10055	Hard Drive	Seagate	ST315005N1A1AS-RK	9VS1M9Z3	ı
	10056	Hard Drive	Maxtor	D740X-6L	11S24P3662ZJ1JN23SSSZE	ı
12	10057	Hard Drive	WD	WD1200	WMA8C2473896	ı
13	10058	Hard Drive	Seagate	ST3200822A	4LJ0H0MV	ı
13	10059	Hard Drive	WD	WD1000	WMA8C1145815	ı
14	10060	Hard Drive	Hitachi	HTS548080M9AT00	MRL455L4K558DB	ı
1.5	10061	Hard Drive	Seagate	Momentus 5400.2	3PJ13XQ2	ı
15	10062	Hard Drive	Seagate	Momentus 5400.5	5SV6CHA7	ı
16	10063	Hard Drive	Seagate	Momentus 5400.5	5SX09BHB	ı
	10064	Hard Drive	WD	WD800	WCAM9D729123	ı
17	10065	Hard Drive	WD	WD800	WMAM9ADZ1831	ı
18	10066	Hard Drive	WD	WD1200	WMAEL1694798	ı
10	10067	Hard Drive	WD	WD1200	WMA8C2865416	ı
19	10068	Hard Drive	Seagate	Barracuda 7200.9	5PS2VQ5X	ı
20	10069	Hard Drive	Fujitsu	MHZ2080BJ	K83AT8826CED	ı
20	10070	Hard Drive	Seagate	Barracuda 7200.9	9LR0L87G	ı
21	10071	Hard Drive	Hitachi	HDS721616PLA380	PVB330Z2S02MBH	ı
	10072	Hard Drive	Seagate	Momentus 7200.4 Momentus Thin	5VJ12EOL	ı
22	10073	Hard Drive	Seagate	250GB	W041YEMR	ı
23	10073	Hard Drive	WD	WD1600	WCAL81049956	ı
	10075	Hard Drive	Seagate	Barracuda 7200.9	6PT1SH3	ı
24	10076	Hard Drive	Seagate	Barracuda 7200.9	5ND3P6QH	ı
25	10077	Hard Drive	Seagate	Barracuda 7200.10	9QG73DQS	ı
23	10077	Hard Drive	Seagate	ST310211A	6DB0DQMB	i
26	10079	Hard Drive	WD	WD1600	WCAL92547435	i
	10080	Hard Drive	Hitachi	HDS721050CLA362	HN1A4SPA	Ī
	10081	Hard Drive	Seagate	ST2000DM001	Z1F01GVY	Ī
		51110	Seabare	5.20005111001		i

1	10082	Hard Drive	WD	WD800JD	WMAM9UK73521
	10083	Hard Drive	WD	WD10EADS	WCAV54551878
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Respectfully submitted on March 18, 2019

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1 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** 2 I, J. Curtis Edmondson, hereby certify that on March 18, 2019, I mailed this document 3 and the referenced documents on USB (bates 10200-10302) the foregoing to the following: 4 Bryan J. Case, WSBA #41781 5 Email: bcase@foxrothschild.com 6 FOX ROTHSCHILD LLP (SEATTLE) 1001 Fourth Avenue, suite 4500 7 Seattle, Washington 98154 Telephone: (206) 624-3600 8 Lincoln D. Bandlow, Admitted Pro Hac Vice 9 Email: lbandlow@foxrothschild.com 10 FOX ROTHSCHILD LLP (LOS ANGELES) 10250 Constellation Blvd., Suite 900 11 Los Angeles, California 90067 Telephone: (310) 598-4150 12 Attorneys for Plaintiff Strike 3 Holdings LLC 13 14 15 16 By: <u>/s/ J. Curtis Edmondson</u> J. Curtis Edmondson 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

EXHIBIT "E"



AMENDED DIGITAL FORENSICS EXAMINATION REPORT

Regarding:

Strike 3 Holdings, LLC v. John Doe Case Number: 2:17-CV-01731-TSZ

Prepared for: Curtis Edmondson Edmondson IP Law 3699 NW John Olsen Place Hillsboro, OR 97124

Prepared by:
Michael Yasumoto
Deadbolt Forensics® LLC
1500 NW Bethany Blvd, #200
Beaverton, OR 97006

Amended Report: April 15, 2019 Original Report: March 15, 2019

I. Assignment

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- 2 My name is Michael Yasumoto. I was retained on March 6, 2018 by Curtis Edmondson of
- 3 Edmondson IP Law which represents John Doe. I have been retained to conduct a forensic
- 4 examination of the defendant's hard drive in this case. Specifically, I have been asked to
- 5 determine the following.
- 6 1) Are any of the movies listed in Plaintiff's complaint located on the Defendant's hard drive?
- 7 2) Document the computer the hard drive originally came from on March 6, 2018.

8 II. Qualifications

- 9 I hold an MS in Computer Science from the George Washington University (GWU). I am
- 10 certified in Computer Security by GWU as well as certified in Computer Forensics by Edmonds
- 11 Community College. My curriculum vitae is attached to this report as Exhibit 1.

12 III. Compensation

- 13 I am being compensated at a rate of \$250 per hour for my time in this matter. My fees are not
- 14 contingent upon the outcome of this litigation.

15 IV. Evidence Collection and Analysis

- 16 I have reviewed the following documents:
 - A. Exhibit A to the Complaint, 6 pages, 07/03/18 Document 43-1.
- 18 B. "PCAP analysis (Case 17-cv-01731-TSZ) v3.xlsx", 1 Worksheet.
- 19 Imaging

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- 20 I created a forensically sound image of the hard drive listed in Table 1 using a CRU Forensic
- 21 UltraDock v5.5 write blocker on 3/7/2018. The hard drive was imaged using X-Ways Forensics
- 22 (XWF) to create an image in EWF/.E01 format. The hard drive with serial# 9VP05TWX was
- 23 picked up from Curtis Edmondson's office on 3/6/2018 and returned on 3/9/2018.
- 25 Four copies of the forensic image were created. One is stored at Deadbolt Forensics for
- 26 examination. Another copy is stored at Curtis Edmondson's office. Copies three and four were

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- 1 provided to Curtis Edmondson's office and are identified by bates numbers 10084A and
- 2 10084B.

Make	Model	Serial#	Hash (SHA1)
Seagate	ST3750528AS	9VP05TWX	C030EFD65D37609FA736FAA2924D6636F96BF4CB

3 Table 1: Defendant's Hard Drive

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- 5 On 4/10/2019, I examined the computer containing the hard drive with serial# 9VP05TWX at
- 6 Curtis Edmondson's office. The computer's make and model are listed in Table 2 however the
- 7 manufacturer did not explicitly identify any serial numbers on the computer's case. Two
- 8 potential serial numbers printed on the case are listed in Table 2.

Make	Model	Serial#
Asus	CG5270-BP003	PF1G95B15000014 or 95PDAG039530

9 Table 2: Defendant's Computer

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Analysis

- 12 I used XWF version 19.8 SR3 to examine the forensic image. Using XWF, I searched for all video
- 13 files including deleted files recovered from unallocated space. I conducted file carving, which
- 14 looks for signatures of certain file types to detect data that may be hidden inside another file or
- 15 located in unallocated space such as deleted files. The smallest video file referenced in Exhibit
- 16 A of the complaint is approximately 187 MBs in size. Based on a review or plaintiff's videos,
- 17 they appear to have an introduction and concluding animation featuring the name of either
- 18 Tushy, Vixen, or Blacked. I reviewed all recovered and existing video files over 100 MBs in size
- 19 to determine if any of the video files were Plaintiff's copyrighted works. None of the videos
- 20 examined appear to be Plaintiff's work based on content and the lack of any Tushy, Vixen, or
- 21 Blacked animated titles. I also compared the SHA1 hash, which acts as a fingerprint for
- 22 computer files, and none of the videos examined on defendant's computer were a hash match
- 23 for the videos listed in Exhibit 3.

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V. Conclusions 1 2 Plaintiff's Videos Not Found 3 It is my opinion, based on a reasonable degree of scientific certainty, that the movies listed in Exhibit 3 are not located on the storage devices that I examined in Table 1. 4 5 Basis: 6 None of the video files reviewed from the Defendant's hard drive are the Plaintiff's 7 movies based on video subject matter or SHA1 hash. Defendant's Hard Drive 8 9 It is my practice, working with Curt Edmondson, to preserve and examine the hard drive of the 10 computer at issue in the case. It is my understanding that the hard drive that I preserved and examined on 3/6/2018 was the only hard drive from the client's working desktop. 11 12 My opinion is based upon the information available at the time of the writing of this report. I 13 reserve the right to expand, amend, or change my opinions upon receipt of additional pertinent 14 15 information, should it be presented to me for review. 16 17 18 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. 19 20 Michael Yarumoto 4/15/2019 21 22 Michael Yasumoto Date 23 Appendix: Exhibit List 24 Exhibit 1: 25 26 Curriculum Vitae for Michael Yasumoto

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- 1 Exhibit 2:
- 2 FRCP 26(a)(2)(B) Testimony Disclosure for Michael Yasumoto
- **3** Exhibit 3:
- 4 Exhibit A to the Complaint, 6 pages, 07/03/18 Document 43-1.

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EXHIBIT "F"

From: J. Curtis Edmondson < jcedmondson@edmolaw.com>

Sent: Saturday, February 2, 2019 8:13 AM **To:** Case, Bryan J. <<u>bcase@foxrothschild.com</u>>

Cc: Bandlow, Lincoln D. < lbandlow@foxrothschild.com>

Subject: [EXT] Meet and Confer re: stip to ESI Protective Order / WDWA Model ESI Agreement (our file:

DIS 1.002)

Importance: High

Lincoln and Bryan,

Your client has asked for the production of ESI in your first discovery request. It is our position that the production of computer hard drives is not a proportionate discovery request under the amended Rule 26 and will allow your client access to data that is irrelevant to this case, personal to my client, and may result in your inspection of attorney-client correspondence.

To avoid our motion for a protective order, will you stip to the WDWA model ESI agreement in the form of a stipulated protective order for both parties? In particular, I would propose that you present "search strings" that would indicate the presence of the movies or other data that believe are pertinent to this case.

If your not amenable to this approach, then I would like to meet and confer on this topic.

In Best Regards,

J. Curtis Edmondson, Patent Attorney | Edmondson IP Law USPTO 57027 | CA SBN 236105 | WA SBN 43795 | DC BAR NO 998407 | CA PE 13377 | WA PE 43728 Venture Commerce Center, 3699 NE John Olsen Ave, Hillsboro OR 97124 ph: (503) 336-3749 | fax: (503) 482-7418

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From: Case, Bryan J. < bcase@foxrothschild.com >

Sent: Thursday, March 21, 2019 5:41 PM

To: Adrienne McEntee <amcentee@terrellmarshall.com>; J. Curtis Edmondson

<jcedmondson@edmolaw.com>

Cc: Bandlow, Lincoln D. < lbandlow@foxrothschild.com>

Subject: Strike 3 v. Doe - Model ESI Agreement

Adrienne and Curt,

Attached please find our edits to the model ESI agreement. Please let us know if you have any changes ASAP so we can move forward with discovery without further delay, in particular inspection of Defendant's computer devices you've disclosed.

Bryan

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From: "J. Curtis Edmondson" < icedmondson@edmolaw.com>

Date: March 22, 2019 at 5:52:42 AM PDT

To: "Case, Bryan J." bcase@foxrothschild.com, Adrienne McEntee amcentee@terrellmarshall.com>

Cc: "Bandlow, Lincoln D." < bandlow@foxrothschild.com >, < jcedmondson@edmolaw.com >

Subject: [EXT] Re: Strike 3 v. Doe - Model ESI Agreement

Bryan and Lincoln,

Attached is our proposed ESI protective order. When this case started, I proposed that we discuss ESI and there was not much of a response from your side. Now that we are down to the wire, I have put together a reasonable protocol in view of your remaining claims (of which there are none) and your affirmative defenses (of which there are a few). I have already spent a significant amount of time collecting and organizing these computers.

The number of computers being produced is a result of your overly broad discovery requests, which are cut/paste from the discovery requests that Malibu Media would send out from the Lipscomb law firm. These discovery requests were designed by the Lipscomb firm to increase the litigation costs to the defendant and force a settlement.

I have crafted a cost effective ESI order where Defendant will bear the initial cost of inspecting computers. The majority of these computers were bought from Goodwill and eBay and may still have the prior owners data on them.

Please let me know if my ESI order is acceptable. Your ESI order will not work as it is overly broad, imposes large unnecessary costs, and is disproportionate to what is needed to prove your affirmative defenses.

B. Regards,

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From: Case, Bryan J. <bcase@foxrothschild.com>

Sent: Monday, March 25, 2019 4:27 PM

To: J. Curtis Edmondson < jcedmondson@edmolaw.com>; Case, Bryan J. < bcase@foxrothschild.com>;

Adrienne McEntee <amcentee@terrellmarshall.com>
Cc: Bandlow, Lincoln D. lbandlow@foxrothschild.com>
Subject: RE: Strike 3 v. Doe - Model ESI Agreement

Curt,

In an effort to work cooperatively, attached are Strike 3's edits to the ESI agreement you sent on Friday. Please let us know if you have any changes or disagreements with the attached. If so, counsel should schedule a discovery conference to discuss.

Regards,

Bryan

Bryan Case Partner Fox Rothschild LLP

Direct: (206) 389-1643 Cell: (425) 890-5112

From: Adrienne McEntee <amcentee@terrellmarshall.com>

Sent: Tuesday, March 26, 2019 3:11 PM

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Cc: Bandlow, Lincoln D. < lbandlow@foxrothschild.com Subject: [EXT] RE: Strike 3 v. Doe - Model ESI Agreement

Bryan, Curt and I would like to meet and confer with you regarding the revisions to our proposed ESI order. Are you available on Friday?

Adrienne D. McEntee

Terrell | Marshall Law Group PLLC

936 N 34th Street, Suite 300 | Seattle, WA 98103

T 206.816.6603 | F 206.319.5450

From: Bandlow, Lincoln D. < lbandlow@foxrothschild.com>

Sent: Tuesday, March 26, 2019 7:50 PM

To: Adrienne McEntee <amcentee@terrellmarshall.com>; Case, Bryan J. <bcse@foxrothschild.com>; J.

Curtis Edmondson < <u>jcedmondson@edmolaw.com</u>> **Subject:** RE: Strike 3 v. Doe - Model ESI Agreement

Bryan is unavailable but I can do the call. I have a deposition the first half of the day, so Friday at 4:00 p.m.?

Lincoln Bandlow

Partner

Fox Rothschild LLP

10250 Constellation Blvd., Suite 900 Los Angeles, CA 90067 (310) 228-2913 - direct (310) 556-9828- fax lbandlow@foxrothschild.com www.foxrothschild.com

From: Adrienne McEntee <amcentee@terrellmarshall.com>

Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2019 8:59 AM

To: Bandlow, Lincoln D. < bandlow@foxrothschild.com; J. bcase@foxrothschild.com; J.

Curtis Edmondson < jcedmondson@edmolaw.com > Subject: [EXT] RE: Strike 3 v. Doe - Model ESI Agreement

Friday at 4pm works fine. My office will circulate a conference line.

Adrienne D. McEntee

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EXHIBIT "G"

AMENDED EXPERT REPORT OF ERIC FRUITS, PH.D. IN THE MATTER OF

STRIKE 3 HOLDINGS, LLC

V.

JOHN DOE, SUBSCRIBER ASSIGNED IP ADDRESS 73.225.38.130

CASE NO. 2:17-CV-01731-TSZ
IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

Economics International Corp.

503-928-6635 www.econinternational.com info@econinternational.com

April 15, 2019

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Exhibits

1 Curriculum vitae

Summary of conclusions

I have been retained by counsel for Defendant in this matter to provide an economic opinion regarding damages in this matter.

Plaintiff's amended complaint alleges that, using BitTorrent, Defendant copied and distributed 87 works in which Plaintiff is the owner of the copyrights-in-suit and thereby willfully infringed on Plaintiff's copyrights. Plaintiff is seeking, inter alia, statutory damages. The following are my conclusions.

- Litigation is not the only way for Plaintiff to stop infringement. If the volume of complaints filed by Strike 3 are an indication of actual infringement, it seems obvious that the filing of lawsuits is not "effective" in deterring infringement.
- DMCA notices are one method to discourage infringement. At the time of the downloading activity alleged by Plaintiff, Defendant's Internet service provider, Comcast, indicates it had policies to comply with the DMCA, including, "a policy to terminate the Service, in appropriate circumstances, provided to any customer or user who is a repeat infringer of third party copyright rights."
- Plaintiff's actions in this suit, and others, are consistent with a theory that
 plaintiff is pursuing nuisance value settlements, using the prospect of
 statutory damages and litigation expenses to extract quick settlements of
 low-probability-of-prevailing claims. Strike 3's strategy in BitTorrent
 litigation appears to satisfy a three-part test for nuisance value litigation.
- Additional information from Plaintiff would be useful to more comprehensively evaluate Plaintiff's income from pursuing and settling litigation.

The remainder of the report provides the bases for the conclusions summarized above. ■

STRIKE 3 HOLDINGS, LLC v. JOHN DOE, SUBSCRIBER ASSIGNED IP ADDRESS 73.225.38.130

ERIC FRUITS, PH.D.

1 Qualifications

I am president and chief economist at Economics International Corp., a consulting firm that specializes in providing economics services to private and public sector clients. I am also an adjunct professor at Portland State University, where I teach courses in economics and real estate. I have a masters' and a doctorate degree in economics and a bachelors' degree in business economics and public policy. Exhibit 1 is a current curriculum vitae including testimony and publications.

My graduate-level training included the study of statistics and econometrics (the application of statistical methods to economics issues). I have taught graduate-level courses in economics, econometrics, finance, and the economics of regulation and antitrust. I have published several peer-reviewed papers, each of which have included statistical and econometric analysis.

I have been engaged in many projects involving financial analysis and business valuation. I have testified in federal and state courts on business and technology valuation and financial markets. As an economic damages expert, I have provided expert testimony regarding business valuation, lost profits, and foregone income. I have consulted and testified in several matters involving the

valuation of intellectual property, including the valuation of technology, trade marks, and trade dress. I have provided expert opinions involving statistics, economics, and finance to United States of America federal and state courts and to an international criminal tribunal.

I am familiar with BitTorrent litigation. I served as an economics expert in the case of *Malibu Media*, *LLC v. Doe subscriber assigned IP address* 76.126.99.126 in the Northern District of California. I served as an economics expert in the case of *Clear Skies v. Hancock* in the Northern District of Illinois. I served as an economics expert in the case of *QOTD v. Wilson* in the Western District of Washington.

Economics International Corp. is compensated at an hourly rate of \$350 for my work on this matter. No part of the compensation is dependent on the outcome of the matter.

2 Assignment and background

I have been retained by counsel for Defendant in this matter to provide an economic opinion regarding damages in this matter.

Plaintiff's amended complaint alleges that, using BitTorrent, Defendant copied and distributed 87 works in which Plaintiff is the owner of the copyrights-in-suit and thereby willfully infringed on Plaintiff's copyrights. Plaintiff is seeking, inter alia, statutory damages.

Greg Lansky made a declaration under a penalty of perjury at Docket 4-3. Greg Lansky states he has "...personal knowledge of all matters contained in this declaration...". I note that at Docket 70, made a different declaration about his knowledge. For this purposes of this motion, I will assume Docket 4-2 is accurate and not contradicted by Docket 70.

Relevant parts of the Lansky Declaration (4-2) state:

- 1. "Unfortunately, piracy is a major threat to our company. We can compete in the industry, but we cannot compete when our content is stolen." (¶22)
- 2. "We have discovered that when we put videos online for paid members to view, it takes as little as four minutes to be downloaded on to torrent

- websites. We have attempted to identify the initial seeder but have found it impossible with the large volume of our subscriber base." (¶23)
- 3. "We send on average 50,000 DMCA notices a month but it does virtually nothing to stop the rampant copyright infringement." (¶26)
- 4. "The only effective way to stop piracy of our movies on BitTorrent is to file lawsuits like this one." ($\P27$).

I am not offering any analysis, conclusions, or expert opinions regarding the law. To the extent this report refers to laws, court decisions, and/or legal opinions, my analysis is based on an economic evaluation of the information presented.

I have no opinions regarding liability in this matter.

In preparing this report, I have relied on my general expertise and knowledge regarding economics, finance, and statistics as well as publicly available information and information provided by Defendant and/or Defendant's counsel. The materials relied upon are cited in the text and footnotes to this report. Any of the information referred to in this report and its exhibits, as well as summaries or exhibits based on this information, may be used at trial.

I understand that discovery is not complete. I reserve the right to supplement or modify my report and opinions as new or additional information is presented, obtained, or reviewed or new or additional analyses are completed, including analyses provided by Plaintiff or its experts.

This amended report incorporates by reference my declaration in this matter dated February 25, 2019 (Dckt. 81).

3 Litigation is not the only effective way to stop infringement

The Lansky Declaration claims filing lawsuits against individual alleged downloaders is "the only effective way to stop" infringing downloading of its copyrighted material.

Strike 3 has filed more than 2,700 complaints in federal court alleging copyright infringement. Filing fees alone amount to more than \$1.1 million.

Since the date of the Lansky Declaration, Strike 3 has filed more than 2,600 complaints alleging copyright infringement. In the first two months of 2019, Strike 3 had filed more than 360 complaints. If the volume of complaints filed by Strike 3 are an indication of actual infringement, it seems obvious that the filing of lawsuits is not "effective" in deterring infringement.

The Lansky Declaration claims Strike 3 was formed in 2015. Prior to the formation of Strike 3, Malibu Media, LLC filed nearly 3,300 complaints alleging copyright infringement similar to the claims Strike 3 is making in this case. Mr. Lansky claims he was involved in the industry for approximately nine years before forming Strike 3. His declaration indicates that he was sufficiently familiar with the industry to conclude, "the industry and I were not offering the best quality and experience possible." As someone with nearly a decade of experience in the industry, it would be reasonable to conclude that Mr. Lanksy was aware of the highly publicized Malibu Media cases and had an understanding of the pervasiveness of alleged copyright infringement of pornographic works. It defies economic reasoning and common sense that Mr. Lansky would form his business and—as he says in his declaration—"risk everything" without a strategy to mitigate the costs of anticipated efforts to infringe on Strike 3's works.

Forensic watermarking of content is a well-known and widely used technique to identify individuals distributing infringing content and has been available prior to the formation of Strike 3.¹ Trade publication Streaming Media notes: "Forensic watermarking allows content owners and rights holders to identify pirated content online, then alert internet service providers, who can then issue a warning to the infringing user or even shut off the user's subscription."² Using such a service, Strike 3 can identify which of its subscribers is uploading infringing content and take immediate action, such as cancelling the uploaders' subscriptions to Strike 3's services.

¹ See, for example: Trabelsi, W. and M. H. Selmi. Multi-signature robust video watermarking. 2014 1st International Conference on Advanced Technologies for Signal and Image Processing (ATSIP), pp. 158-163. 2014.

² Krefetz, N. Protecting your assets: How studios secure their premium video. *Streaming Media Magazine*. September 28, 2018. https://www.streamingmedia.com/Articles/Editorial/Featured-Articles/Protecting-Your-Assets-How-Studios-Secure-Their-Premium-Video--127701.aspx, retrieved February 22, 2019.

Custos Media Technologies (RF) (Pty) Ltd. provides a service named "Screener Copy." The service adds a unique watermark and embeds a Bitcoin bounty to each video file distributed to users. The watermark and bounty make each copy identifiable and traceable. "Bounty hunters" on the Internet scan video files for the hidden Bitcoin bounties and, once found, claim it as a reward. Once the bounty is claimed, the copyright owner is notified of the leaked copy. Because the bounty is unique to each copy, the copyright owner can identify the source of the leak. Custos indicates it was designed to serve "smaller movie producers" and claims of 130,000 copies of material it has distributed, the service has "not had a single leak." Based on information available at the time of this report, it is likely that Custos' service or similar services would more effective and less costly than Strike 3's litigation strategy.

4 DMCA notices as a method to discourage infringement

The Lansky Declaration states Strike 3 sends an average of 50,000 DMCA notices a month, but that the notices do "virtually nothing" to stop infringement of its copyrights.

Citing *In re Charter Commc'ns, Subpoena Enforcement Matter*, 393 F.3d at 773 (8th Cir. 2005), the court in *BMG Rights Mgmt*. (*US*) *LLC v*. *Cox Commc'ns, Inc*. (E.D. Va., 2016) notes:

Congress enacted the Digital Millennium Copyright Act ("DMCA"), which sought to strike a balance "between the interests of ISPs in avoiding liability for infringing use of their services and the interest of copyright owners in protecting their intellectual property and minimizing online piracy." In return for a certain

³ Custos Media Technologies (RF) (Pty) Ltd. Custos Video: A simple one-click solution for filmmakers and videographers. 2017. https://custostech.com/custos-video/, retrieved February 22, 2019.

⁴ Lourie, G. This SA startup is fighting global problem of online piracy using Bitcoin blockchain. *TechFinancials*. June 21, 2018. https://techfinancials.co.za/2018/06/21/this-sa-startup-is-fighting-global-problem-of-online-piracy-using-bitcoin-blockchain/, retrieved February 22, 2019.

amount of cooperation, ISPs would enjoy the protection of four liability-limiting safe harbors. To be eligible, an ISP must, for example, "adopt[] and reasonably implement[], and inform[] subscribers and account holders of the service provider's system or network of, a policy that provides for the termination in appropriate circumstances of subscribers and account holders of the service provider's system or network who are repeat infringers." [footnotes and citations omitted]

From an economics approach, the idea to "strike a balance" recognizes that the purpose of copyright enforcement under the DMCA is to discourage infringement while reducing the costs associated with litigation.

At the time of the downloading activity alleged by Plaintiff, Defendant's Internet service provider, Comcast, indicates it had policies to comply with the DMCA:5

Owners of copyrighted works who believe that their rights under U.S. copyright law have been infringed may take advantage of certain provisions of the Digital Millennium Copyright Act of 1998 (the "DMCA") to report alleged infringements to us. In accordance with the DMCA and other applicable laws, Comcast also maintains a policy to terminate the Service, in appropriate circumstances, provided to any customer or user who is a repeat infringer of third party copyright rights.

I understand that Plaintiff has not provided any information demonstrating that Strike 3 notified Comcast of Defendant's alleged activity outside of the present litigation.

Monitoring companies like Rightscorp, Inc. send DMCA notices on behalf of other media companies to the IP address of alleged infringers. In these notices, requests are made to pay for the works allegedly infringed. In some cases, the infringers have paid for the works allegedly infringed. In other cases, the notices have been associated with a cessation of the alleged infringing activity. In either

⁵ Comcast Corporation. Acceptable use policy for XFINITY® Internet. October 11, 2017. https://web.archive.org/web/20171011050118/www.xfinity.com/Corporate/Customers/Policies/HighSpeedInternetAUP.html, retrieved February 22, 2019.

case, if the objective of Strike 3 is to reduce alleged infringement, this approach would be more beneficial to Strike 3 than filing lawsuits. The notice requesting payment would provide an infringer the incentive to convert to a subscriber. A notice to subscriber who is not the infringer could result in proactive actions to prevent infringement, such as changing a wi-fi password. Since the cost of sending a DMCA notice is de minimis, and since a DMCA notice can be sent in a more timely manner than filing a lawsuit, this approach is less costly and more effective than pursuing lawsuits against, what Plaintiff describes as "the worst" infringers.

I understand a 30(b)(6) deposition was taken of Strike 3. I have not had an opportunity to review the deposition transcript. Upon discussion with Defendant's counsel, I understand no objective reasons were presented indicating why DMCA notice cannot be sent to the IP address associated with a subscriber. Upon review of the transcripts, I intend to supplement my report.

5 Actual and statutory damages

17 USC 504 identifies two remedies for copyright infringement.

- 1. Actual damages and profits: a quantifiable monetary loss the plaintiff has suffered, or the profit the infringer has gained, from infringing the copyrights. I understand Plaintiff has not made a claim that Defendant gained a profit from the alleged copyright infringement. A quantifiable monetary loss to Plaintiff can be calculated by identifying what Plaintiff would have received had it sold or licensed the works.
- 2. **Statutory damages**: an amount in the range of \$750 to \$30,000 per infringed work. In some circumstances, including those in which the infringer was not aware and had no reason to believe that his or her acts constituted an infringement of copyright, the court may reduce the award of statutory damages to \$200.

I understand that Plaintiff sought statutory damages and did not specify the range of statutory damages sought (Complaint, Docket 1).

When this complaint was filed, statutory damages for 80 works was sought. Then, I understand Plaintiff amended its complaint and sought statutory

damages for 87 works. Likewise, Plaintiff did not specify the range of statutory damages sought.

In my experience defendants have been more concerned with the maximum exposure to damages than the likely exposure to damages. This is likely more significant in a case such as this, in which the Plaintiff is represented by a large national law firm having hundreds of attorneys.

For the range of statutory damages specified by 17 USC 504, and assuming Defendant is liable for infringing on all 87 works, damages would be in the range of \$62,250 and \$2,610,000.

In a similar BitTorrent case, the court concludes statutory damages are not intended to serve as a windfall to plaintiffs:⁶

Plaintiff argues that a significantly higher award is necessary to force people like Defendants to appear and participate in these BitTorrent cases. Plaintiff apparently wants the Court to raise the statutory damage award to an amount that is at or above the anticipated costs of defending this action. A defendant may, however, decide that conceding liability through default is the best course of action given the nature of the claims and the available defenses. The "punishment" for that choice is the entry of default judgment and an award of damages under the governing standards. As discussed above, those standards lead to the conclusion that the minimum statutory penalty should apply in this case. Plaintiff offers no support for the proposition that participation in federal litigation should be compelled by imposing draconian penalties that are out of proportion to the harm caused by Defendants' actions or any benefits derived therefrom. Statutory damages are not intended to serve as a windfall to plaintiffs and will not be used to provide such a windfall here.

I reserve the right to supplement or modify my report if Plaintiff or its experts provide a quantifiable claim for damages.

⁶ CELL Film Holdings, LLC v. Roger Hawkins, Order Granting in Part Cell Film Holdings' Motions for Default Judgment, Case 2:16-cv-01091-RSL (W.D. Wash, March 14, 2019).

6 Nuisance lawsuits and sue-then-settle strategies

Plaintiff's actions in this suit, and others, is consistent with a theory that plaintiff is pursuing nuisance-value settlements, using the prospect of statutory damages and litigation expenses to extract quick settlements of low-probability-of-prevailing claims.

One of the earliest models of a sue-then-settle strategy finds that with low costs of filing a suit, plaintiffs can gather valuable information about the strength of their claim from a defendant's response:⁷

A strategy such as [file suit, then go to trial if the defendant offers to settle, otherwise drop the action] may not at first seem to make much sense. Why does the plaintiff not grab the settlement when it is offered? Further reflection reveals that such a strategy may be quite appropriate where the defendant has information not available to the plaintiff. For instance, it might be that the defendant has chosen [to offer to settle if violator, otherwise do not offer to settle]. For the plaintiff then, the defendant's offer to settle is an indication that the defendant did in fact violate the law, so that the plaintiff may prefer to increase his winnings by going to trial. On the other hand, the defendant's refusal to offer to settle may be an indication that he did not violate the law, in which case the plaintiff would want to cut his losses. ...

Put differently, the plaintiff's first strategy, (do not sue), is dominated by his fifth strategy, [file suit, then go to trial if the defendant offers to settle, otherwise drop the action]. We conclude that the plaintiff will always bring an action.

This surprising result is implied by the assumption that the plaintiff incurs no legal costs by filing an action and then dropping it. Given the assumption, the conclusion is quite intuitive: the plaintiff loses nothing from filing suit.

⁷ P'ng, I. P. L. (1983). Behavior in suit, settlement, and trial. *Bell Journal of Economics*, 14(2): 539–550.

Another early model of "nuisance suits" concludes that although a defendant knows that the plaintiff will drop the case if the defendant responds, the defendant will still be willing to pay a settlement amount of up to the cost of responding solely in order to avoid having to make such a response.⁸

P'ng (1983) applies his sue-then-settle model to what he calls "frivolous suits:"

To some extent, this result accords with the folklore: a plaintiff brings a frivolous action in the hope of extorting a settlement that is less than the value of the defendant's legal costs. The analysis also points to another possibility: the defendant may be able to deter plaintiffs who have filed actions from bringing these to trial by adopting a strategy of refusing to settle, whatever his true type.

The economic rationale for damages is to make the Plaintiff "whole" and/or to deny the liable party of the profits of from the wrongful act. Concepts of the efficient allocation of resources conclude that laws, institutions, or arrangements that provide a windfall profit to plaintiffs would result in a misallocation of resources. Legal scholars have implicitly incorporated the economic approach in their attempts to define a copyright "troll:"9

A copyright troll is a plaintiff who seeks damages for infringement upon a copyright it owns, not to be made whole, but rather as a primary or supplemental revenue stream.

The following attempt to define "trolling" recognizes the process of searching or prowling for potential revenues from litigation:¹⁰

The essence of trolling is that the plaintiff is more focused on the business of litigation than on selling a product or service or licensing their IP to third parties to sell a product or a service. The paradigmatic troll plays a numbers game in which it targets hundreds or thousands of defendants, seeking quick settlements

⁸ Rosenberg, D. and S. Shavell (1985). A model in which suits are brought for their nuisance value. *International Review of Law and Economics*. 5(1): 3–13.

⁹ DeBriyn, J. (2012). Shedding light on copyright trolls: An analysis of mass copyright litigation in the age of statutory damages. *UCLA Entertainment Law Review*, 19(1): 79–112.

¹⁰ Sag, M. (2015). Copyright trolling: An empirical study. *Iowa Law Review*, 100(3): 1105–1147.

priced just low enough that it is less expensive for the defendant to pay the troll rather than defend the claim.

Greenberg (2015) identifies the role statutory damages may play in the misallocation of resources for a copyright owner who "uses the prospect of statutory damages and litigation expenses to extract quick settlements of often weak claims."¹¹

Commenting on the doctrine of copyright misuse, Judge Posner noted the following: "hoping to force a settlement or even achieve an outright victory over an opponent that may lack the resources or the legal sophistication to resist effectively, is an abuse of process." ¹²

Consistent with Posner's observation regarding opponents with a "lack of resources," AIPLA (2011) reports the median cost of litigating copyright infringement through the end of discovery in the West is \$150,000.¹³

Sudarshan (2008) proposes a three-part test to identify nuisance value patent litigation, which could be applied to copyright suits (citations omitted):¹⁴

This Article relies on nuisance-value patent litigation having three specific and necessary definitional conditions.

- 1. First, the patent holder offers a settlement (or license) figure which is significantly less than the cost of defending the suit through the discovery phase of a trial.
- 2. Second, this settlement amount does not correspond to traditional measures of patent damages, i.e., reasonable royalty or lost profits.

¹¹ Greenberg, B. A. (2015). Copyright trolls and common law. *Iowa Law Review Bulletin*, vol. 100:77–86.

¹² Assessment Techs. of WI, LLC v. Wire Data, Inc., 350 F.3d 640 (2003).

¹³ American Intellectual Property Law Association (2011). Report of the Economic Survey.

¹⁴ Sudarshan, R. (2008). Nuisance-value patent suits: An economic model and proposal, *Santa Clara High Technology Law Journal*, 25(1):159-189.

3. Third, the plaintiff seeks to avoid litigation because of a sufficiently high probability that the asserted claims are a) invalid, or b) not infringed by the defendant's products.

This definition recognizes that a suit is not necessarily a nuisance suit just because the offered settlement amount is less than the cost of defense. For example, the second prong of the definition excludes situations where a defendant's infringement may have been so minor that a license would have been worth less than the cost of asserting the patent in litigation. Similarly, the third prong of the definition leaves out scenarios where a plaintiff's validity and infringement contentions are meritorious, but a steep discount may have been given to the defendant for any number of reasons.

Based on information available at the time of this report, Strike 3's strategy in BitTorrent litigation appears to satisfy Sudarshan's (2008) three-part test for nuisance value litigation.

Sag (2015) suggests that sue-then-settle actions are consistent with a theory that plaintiffs are pursuing nuisance value settlements:¹⁵

After obtaining the names and addresses of account holders suspected of participating in a BitTorrent swarm, the plaintiff can get to work negotiating settlements. An account holder accused of infringement is almost invariably threatened with statutory damages and the prospect of paying the plaintiff's attorney's fees if he is unable to establish his innocence. Reports indicate that settlements are usually in the range of \$2000 to \$4000. That is a lot to pay for a movie, but only a fraction of the potential statutory damages for willful copyright infringement, which can be as high as \$150,000 per work infringed. The \$4000 figure is also evidently "a sum calculated to be just below the cost of a bare-bones defense." This does not prove that the plaintiffs are simply pursuing nuisance-value settlements, but it is consistent with that theory.

¹⁵ Sag, M. (2015). Copyright trolling: An empirical study. *Iowa Law Review*, 100(3): 1105–1147.

Consistent with Sag's (2015) observations, I understand Strike 3 has accepted offers of judgment of \$3,250, inclusive of damages, costs, and attorney fees.

- 1. Strike 3 Holdings, LLC v. John Doe subscriber assigned IP address 76.172.87.57 (S.D.Cal.) 3:17-cv-02317-JAH-BLM.
- 2. Strike 3 Holdings, LLC v. John Doe subscriber assigned IP address 76.247.176.87 (N.D.Cal.) 5:17-cv-07058-EJD.

In a similar Strike 3 matter, the court concluded, "Strike 3 is a copyright troll," and invoked much of the economic logic discussed above: 16

Little wonder so many defendants settle. Indeed, the copyright troll's success rate comes not from the Copyright Act, but from the law of large numbers. According to PACER, over the past thirteen months, Strike 3 has filed 1849 cases just like this one in courts across the country—forty in this district alone—closely following the copyright trolls who together consumed 58% of the federal copyright docket in 2015. These serial litigants drop cases at the first sign of resistance, preying on low-hanging fruit and staying one step ahead of any coordinated defense. They don't seem to care about whether defendant actually did the infringing, or about developing the law. If a Billy Goat Gruff moves to confront a copyright troll in court, the troll cuts and runs back under its bridge. Perhaps the trolls fear a court disrupting their rinse-washand-repeat approach: file a deluge of complaints; ask the court to compel disclosure of the account holders; settle as many claims as possible; abandon the rest. [citations omitted]

Consistent with Judge Lamberth's "Billy Goat Gruff" observation, I understand Strike 3 has dismissed all cases being heard by Judge Zilly. I also understand that in the face of risking \$250 in sanctions for missing deadlines in the Eastern District of California, Strike 3 has terminated 24 cases. This seems to support Judge Lamberth's "cut and run" observation.

¹⁶ Strike 3 Holdings, LLC v. John Doe subscriber assigned IP address 73.180.154.14. Memorandum Opinion. Civil Action #1:18-cv-01425-RCL (D.D.C). November 16, 2018.

- 1. Strike 3 Holdings, LLC v. John Doe subscriber assigned IP address 73.2.97.225, 1:18-cv-01075-MCE-CKD
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- 9. Strike 3 Holdings, LLC v. John Doe subscriber assigned IP address 98.208.93.240, 2:18-cv-02643-MCE-CKD
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- 11. Strike 3 Holdings, LLC v. John Doe subscriber assigned IP address 162.237.197.54, 2:18-cv-02585-MCE-CKD
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- 24. Strike 3 Holdings, LLC v. John Doe subscriber assigned IP address 73.192.163.54, 2:18-cv-02205-MCE-CKD

7 Plaintiff's revenues from settling litigation

Plaintiff has not provided financial information for Strike 3 in this matter. Upon provision of such information, I reserve the right to supplement or modify my report to evaluate revenues and/or income Plaintiff receives from pursuing its litigation strategy in BitTorrent matters. The following information would be useful to more comprehensively evaluate Plaintiff's income from pursuing and settling litigation:

1. Information similar to that submitted to the court in *Malibu Media*, *LLC v. John Doe subscriber assigned IP address* 24.148.79.226, Plaintiff's Status and Informational Report for Its Cases in the Northern District of Illinois, Civil Action No. 1:14-cv-00693 (N.D. Ill. Apr. 6, 2014). The submission provides

information regarding 268 cases filed by Malibu Media and included the following information:

- a. Number of cases filed,
- b. Number of cases with joined defendants and number of cases against a single defendant;
- c. Investigation costs associated with each case including, but not limited to the purchase and investigation of PCAP files;
- d. Status of each of the cases, such as:
 - i. Dismissed—Hardship
 - ii. Dismissed—Insufficient Evidence
 - iii. Dismissed—No Discovery
 - iv. Dismissed—Settled (including settlement amount)
 - v. Judgment Entered (including judgment amount)
 - vi. Litigation
 - vii. Negotiating
 - viii. Pre-Discovery
 - ix. Pre-Litigation
- 2. Number of monthly and/or annual subscriptions to Strike 3's Blacked, Tushy, and Vixen adult websites; monthly and/or annual subscription revenue; processing charges associated with subscriptions.
- 3. Number of monthly and/or annual unit sales of and revenues from DVDs sold by Strike 3.
- 4. Monthly and/or annual expenditures associated with serving DMCA notices.

I understand depositions were taken—and continue to be taken—in this matter. I have not had an opportunity to review the deposition transcripts. Lacking any financial details from Strike 3, and based on Defendant's counsel's observations

from deposition testimony, I estimate the following allocation of revenues, costs, and profits from Plaintiff's litigation strategy to date.



Revenues from settlements, IPP services, and net revenues from settlements are from Defendant's counsel's observations of deposition testimony. Number of complaints are from Lex Machina. Additional court fees and inside counsel costs are my estimates.



8 Damages

My understanding is that Defendant has filed two counterclaims, one for declaratory relief of non-infringement and another for abuse of process. Further, my understanding is that Washington state law entitles a party claiming abuse of process to claim damages.¹⁷

I understand a part of the damage element is the harm incurred by the individual, including attorney's fees and costs. It is also my understanding that attorney's fees in the Ninth Circuit is determined by "Lodestar."

¹⁷ *Hough v. Stockbridge*. 152 Wash. App. 328 (2009)

At this time, I understand that damages will be incurred as the case proceeds. These damage are likely to take the form of attorney's fees, expert fees, and actual harm to the Defendant separate from attorney's fees and costs.

The harm suffered by Defendant would be legal fees, which are ongoing until termination of this matter. At that time, I am prepared to give an opinion regarding the reasonableness of these fees. AIPLA (2011) reports the median cost of litigating copyright infringement through the end of discovery in the West is \$150,000, with 50 percent of cases in the range of \$100,000 to \$250,000.¹⁸

The U.S. Supreme Court concluded, "a successful defense of a copyright infringement action may further the policies of the Copyright Act every bit as much as a successful prosecution of an infringement claim by the holder of a copyright." Economically speaking, an award of attorney's fees that encourages the defense of potential nuisance suits may further the policies of the Copyright Act by discouraging the filing of a suits that plaintiffs and plaintiffs' attorneys know to be nuisance suits.

9 Conclusion

Litigation is not the only way for Plaintiff to stop infringement. If the volume of complaints filed by Strike 3 are an indication of actual infringement, it seems obvious that the filing of lawsuits is not "effective" in deterring infringement.

DMCA notices are one well known and widely used method to discourage infringement. At the time of the downloading activity alleged by Plaintiff, Defendant's Internet service provider, Comcast, indicates it had policies to comply with the DMCA, including, "a policy to terminate the Service, in appropriate circumstances, provided to any customer or user who is a repeat infringer of third party copyright rights."

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City of Portland Livability Volunteer Award	2010
Institute for Humane Studies Research Grant	1996
John Randolph Haynes and Dora Haynes Foundation Grant	1995
Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation Grant	1992–1995
Lionel Edie Award	1990

Courses Taught

Microeconomics

Industrial Organization

Economics of Regulation and Antitrust

Urban Economics

Managerial Economics

Econometrics

Real Estate Finance and Investment

State and Local Public Finance

Economics and the Creative Industries

War Crimes